

H. Res. 684

In the House of Representatives, U.S.,

July 12, 2004.

Whereas Mr. David Scott Tidmarsh was a student at Edison Intermediate Center located in South Bend, Indiana;

Whereas Mr. Tidmarsh earned his right to compete for the national spelling bee title by winning the City of South Bend, Indiana spelling bee;

Whereas the 77th Annual Scripps National Spelling Bee was held in Washington, D.C. June 1 through 3, 2004;

Whereas 265 spellers from across the United States, American Samoa, the Bahamas, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Saudi Arabia, and the United States Virgin Islands all competed for the title;

Whereas Mr. Tidmarsh, competitor number 76, competed in the bee and survived 15 rounds of competition; and

Whereas Mr. Tidmarsh's achievement brings an immense sense of pride to Edison Intermediate Center, his hometown of South Bend, and the state of Indiana: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the United States House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates David Scott Tidmarsh on his mastery of the English language, culminating in his cor-

rectly spelling “autochthonous” in Round 15, and becoming the 77th Annual Scripps National Spelling Bee champion;

(2) recognizes the dedication and achievement of Mr. Tidmarsh;

(3) wishes Mr. Tidmarsh much success in achieving his life goals; and

(4) directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make available enrolled copies of this resolution to Edison Intermediate Center, located in South Bend, Indiana, for appropriate display and to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to David Scott Tidmarsh and his family.

Attest:

Clerk.